NOTWITHSTANDING §747 OF THIS AFTICLE, AFTER NOVEMBEP 1, 1977, EACH APPLICANT FOR RENEWAL SHALL SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE BIENNIALLY ONE OR MORE BOARD AFFROVED CONTINUING EDUCATION FROGRAMS PROVIDING A ICTAL OF 20 HOURS OF INSTRUCTION.

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The powers and duties of the Board are as follows:

(11) TO EVALUATE AND TC AFFROVE OR LISAPPROVE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES, EXCEPT THAT THE BOAFD MAY APPROVE ONLY THOSE COURSES CONSISTING OF QUALIFIED INSTRUCTION RELATED TO THE PRACTICE OF FITTING AND DEALING IN HEARING AIDS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 17, 1977.

CHAPTER 439

(House Bill 496)

AN ACT concerning

Hearing Aid Dealers - Certificates

FOR the purpose of specifying a uniform expiration date for certificates of registration and of endorsement for fitting of or dealing in hearing aids.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health Section 744(a) and 747 Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 744(a) and 747 of Article 43 — Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

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(a) Upon payment of \$20, the Board shall register